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SUBJ: COMMEMORATIVE ACTIVITIES ON THE DEATH OF MAO TSE-TUNG

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1. THE CHINESE EMBASSY IN MALTA HAS SENT FORMAL NOTES TO ALL EMBASSIES REPRESENTED HERE, EXCEPT THE US, CONCERNING THE OPENING OF A CONDOLENCE BOOK FOR CHAIRMAN MAO.

2. THIS DELIBERATE EXCLUSION OF THE US HAS BEEN AN OBVIOUS AND CONSISTENT CHINESE POLICY EVER SINCE THEY ESTABLISHED AN EMBASSY IN MALTA SOME FIVE YEARS AGO.

3. ACCORDINGLY, WE WILL NOT ATTEMPT TO SIGN THE OFFICIAL CONDOLENCE BOOK. HOWEVER THE AMBASSADOR WILL SEEK AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS HIS PERSONAL CONDOLENCES TO THE CHINESE AMBASSADOR WHEN HE NEXT SEES HIM. SMITH

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